

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A digitizer input system for inputting written information from a user, said input device system comprising:

at least one sheet of a writing medium having a pre-printed unique identifier located thereon;

an electronic pen for writing on said writing medium and emitting one or more signals for generating pen stroke information;

a detector for detecting said pre-printed unique identifier and said pen stroke information from said emitted signal, wherein said pre-printed unique identifier is indicated to said input system by tracing over said pre-printed unique identifier; and

local storage for storing said detected pen stroke information, in association with said pre-printed unique identifier of said writing medium.

2. (Original) The input system of claim 1 wherein said input system is coupled to a computing device.

3. (Previously amended) The input system of claim 1 wherein said pre-printed unique identifier is at least one of an image or an alphanumeric string.

4-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously amended) The input system of claim 1 further comprising a display for displaying said pre-printed unique identifier.

8. (Original) The input system of claim 1 wherein a time stamp is associated with said detected pen stroke information.

9. (Previously amended) The input system of claim 1 wherein said input system is interfaced with a display device for displaying a representation of said stroke information, said representation being associated with a page of said writing medium based on said pre-printed unique identifier.

10. (Previously amended) The input system of claim 1 wherein said pre-printed unique identifier is used to access stored pen stroke information associated with said pre-printed unique identifier.

11. (Currently amended) A method of using an input device system, ~~aid~~ said method comprising the steps of:

indicating a pre-printed unique identifier located on a writing medium to said input system using an electronic pen for writing on said writing medium, the pen emitting one or more signals for generating pen stroke information therefrom;

detecting said pre-printed unique identifier information, wherein said pre-printed unique identifier is indicated to said input system by tracing over said pre-printed unique identifier;

detecting said pen stroke information that is derived from said emitted signal; and

storing said detected pen stroke information in association with said detected pre-printed unique identifier.

12. (Previously amended) The method of claim 11 further including the step of displaying a representation of said pen stroke information, said representation being associated with a page of said writing medium based on said pre-printed unique identifier.

13. (Previously amended) The method of claim 11 further including the step of displaying said pre-printed unique identifier associated with a sheet of said writing medium.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently amended) The storage medium of claim 18 further including program instructions for accepting ~~a user selected location for said pre-printed unique identifier~~ user specification to said input system of said location region of said pre-printed unique identifier on the writing medium.

23. (Original) The storage medium of claim 18 further including program instructions for associating a time stamp with said detected stroke information.

24. (Cancelled)

25. (New) The input system of claim 1 further comprising a user control for indicating on which sheet of said writing medium the user is writing.

26. (New) The input system of claim 25 wherein said user control comprises a slider bar.

27. (New) The method of claim 11 further comprising determining a sheet of said writing medium on which said electronic pen is writing by detecting a manipulation of a user control.

28. (New) The method of claim 27 wherein said manipulation of said user control comprises touching a slider bar.

29. (New) The storage medium of claim 18 further including program instructions for determining a sheet of said writing medium on which said electronic pen is writing by detecting a manipulation of a user control.

14-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~15~~ 11 wherein a user specifies to said input system said location region ~~for~~ of said pre-printed unique identifier on the writing medium.

17. (Original) The method of claim 11 further including the step of associating a time stamp with said detected pen stroke information.

18. (Currently amended) A storage medium having computer readable program instructions embodied therein for inputting information from a user to an input system, said storage medium comprising:

program instructions that are responsive to an indication of a pre-printed unique identifier located on a writing medium , wherein said pre-printed unique identifier is indicated to said input system by tracing over said pre-printed unique identifier , said program instructions further being responsive to a detection of said pre-printed unique identifier information and to detected pen stroke information derived from said pen emissions during writing; and

program instructions for storing said stroke information in association with said detected pre-printed unique identifier.

19. (Previously amended) The storage medium of claim 18 further including program instructions for displaying a representation of said pen stroke information, said representation associated with a page of said writing medium based on said pre-printed unique identifier.

20. (Previously amended) The storage medium of claim 18 further including program instructions for displaying said pre-printed unique identifier associated with a sheet of said writing medium.

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30. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein said manipulation of said user control comprises touching a slider bar.